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Ms. Ruth Goldway Chairman Postal Regulatory Commission 901 New York Ave, NW Suite 200 Washington, D.C. 20268-0002

Dear Ms. Goldway:

I am writing to request that you give consideration to the effort led by the Crescent Lake Community Action Team (CLCAT) to reestablish its own zip-code and reopen their Post Office, at least on a part-time basis. This endeavor is being undertaken by CLCAT in an effort to retain the community's unique identity, and strengthen economic development and growth in Crescent Lake.

Unfortunately, on December 6, 2005 the Crescent Lake Post Office was destroyed by fire and as a result, postal operations were transferred to, and the zip-code merged with, the town of Crescent. As a result, Crescent Lake patrons currently have only cluster boxes with no other service available. Consequently, residents must travel 35 miles round trip to pick-up accountable mail and deal with the safety issues of travelling (particularly in the winter months) to pick up packages in Crescent. They've also found that the combining of zip-codes with Crescent has resulted in unacceptable levels of lost, mis-delivered, and un-delivered mail.

While I understand the United States Postal Service (USPS) must analyze the costs and benefits of this proposal, it is my hope that the USPS will work with the community to explore the possibility of reestablishing a distinct zip-code and providing part-time service for the residents of Crescent Lake.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Best regards,

Member of Congress